

**Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command**  
**Customer/Carrier Advisory**  
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**Subject:** Termination of Transportation Workers Identification Card (TWIC) for access to Electronic Transportation Acquisition (ETA)

**Purpose:** To inform commercial users/carriers that starting 29 January 2013, ETA will not accept TWIC certificates to access SDDC transportation applications and the USTRANSCOM Defense Personal Property System (DPS). Current TWIC holders accessing an application within ETA must purchase an External Certificate Authority (ECA) prior to 29 January 2013.

**Be Advised:** To meet DOD Instruction 8520.2, dated 1 April 2004, SDDC required commercial carriers accessing transportation systems and applications to use commercial public key infrastructure (PKI) certificates or TWIC. This policy will change effective 29 January 2013 in accordance with DOD security standards specifying the TWIC does not meet security requirements.

The DOD PKI office recently determined that the TWIC PKI certificate cannot authenticate users for access to DOD systems. The DOD PKI office has not established a trust relationship with the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Information on the TWIC is available at <http://www.tsa.gov>.

Instructions for TWIC purchase and implementation are available via the ETA home page, under Help, PKI Information. To view all External Approved PKIs, please refer to the interoperability website:

<http://iase.disa.mil/pki-pke/interoperability/index.html>.

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**Expiration:** N/A